

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 COLOMB 03066 181023Z

21

ACTION IO-13

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 AF-08 ARA-06 EA-07 EUR-12 NEA-10

CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-02 INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05

PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 EB-07 COME-00 TRSE-00

OMB-01 /111 W

----- 032425

R 180720Z AUG 76

FM AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5555

INFO NAC COLLECTIVE 055

AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST

C O N F I D E N T I A L COLOMBO 3066

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PORG, PK, IN, RO, YO

SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: PAKISTANI VIEWS ON MEMBERSHIP
QUESTION AND OTHER NAC ISSUES

REF: (A) COLOMBO 2961 (NOTAL), (B) ISLAMABAD 8570 (NOTAL)

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED NAC FOREIGN MINISTERS' DECISION ON
MEMBERSHIP QUESTION AND OTHER ASPECTS OF NAC WITH
PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR TO BELGRADE AFTAB AHMED KHAN AUGUST
16. KHAN MOST INTERESTED IN CONFERENCE HANDLING OF
MEMBERSHIP ISSUE, BUT ALSO LOOKING AT PLAY OF FORCES
BETWEEN RADICAL AND MODERATE PARTICIPANTS AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENTS WHICH MIGHT AFFECT FATE OF BHUTTO'S
THIRD WORLD CONFERENCE PROPOSAL.

2. MEMBERSHIP: KHAN ATTRIBUTED SUCCESS OF ROMANIAN
BID TO ATTEND CONFERENCE TO DETERMINATION AND VIGOR OF
YUGOSLAV SUPPORT AND TO LATTER'S INFLUENCE WITHIN NAM.
HE CONSIDERED THAT MAJOR FOUNDING MEMBERS OF MOVEMENT
COULD GET WHAT THEY WANT. FOR THIS SAME REASON, A
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 COLOMB 03066 181023Z

PAKISTANI APPLICATION COULD NEVER HAVE SUCCEEDED, IN

VIEW OF INDIA'S INALTERABLE OPPOSITION. INDIA'S ACCEPTANCE OF "TREATY MEMBERS" AS GUESTS SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN AS SOFTENING TOWARDS PAKISTAN CONSISTENT WITH RECENT IMPROVEMENT IN BILATERAL RELATIONS, HE FELT. ON THE CONTRARY, HIS EVALUATION OF SITUATION WAS THAT IF PAKISTAN HAD PRESSED ITS CASE HERE, CONFRONTATION WOULD HAVE BEEN BITTER AND BILATERAL RELATIONS WOULD HAVE SUFFERED.

3. CONSISTENT WITH THESE VIEWS, KHAN REJECTED PROPOSITION THAT MEMBERSHIP DEBATE WAS SERIOUS DELIBERATION ON NATURE OF NON-ALIGNMENT. RATHER HE SAW IT AS PLAY OF FORCES DETERMINED STRICTLY BY NATIONAL INTEREST: YUGOSLAV-SOVIET RELATIONS, INDIA-PAKISTAN, AND ASEAN-COMMUNIST INDO-CHINA.

4. LEADERSHIP OF MOVEMENT: KHAN THOUGHT TEXTS ACTUALLY BEING ELABORATED WERE MODERATE IN A NAC CONTEXT. HE SAW RADICAL MEMBERS RESIGNED TO THIS AND SEEKING RATHER TO ESTABLISH FIRMER CONTROL OVER MOVEMENT IN THE FUTURE, IN PARTICULAR THROUGH MEMBERSHIP ON NEW COORDINATING COMMITTEE. HE QUOTED BANGLADESHIS, IN LOBBYING FOR NACC MEMBERSHIP AGAINST AFGHANI CANDIDACY, AS OPENLY ARGUING THEY WOULD BE ONLY ASIAN MEMBER NOT UNDER SOVIET INFLUENCE.

5. ECONOMIC ISSUES: KHAN WAS PLEASED TO NOTE THAT NAC HAD DEFINITELY ACCEPTED COMMONALITY OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS OF ALL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THAT NO NON-ALIGNED ECONOMICS WAS BEING EVOLVED. HE FELT THIS WAS FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THAT IT WAS CONSISTENT WITH GOP'S THIRD WORLD CONFERENCE INITIATIVE.

6. NON-ALIGNED COOPERATION: KHAN REITERATED PAKISTANI CONCERN OVER POSSIBILITY THAT CONFERENCE TEXTS CALLING FOR COOPERATION AMONG NAM MEMBERS MIGHT TAKE ON SECURITY OVERTONES. HE WAS SURE YUGOSLAVIA INTENDED THIS AND CUBAN DRAFTS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA IMPLIED IT. CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS HE HAD SPOKEN TO HAD TOLD HIM THAT ANY SUCH COOPERATION WAS AIMED AT PROTECTION FROM CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 COLOMB 03066 181023Z

SUPER-POWERS, BUT HE WAS NOT REASSURED. HE SAW NO SIGNS THAT THIS WAS SIGNIFICANT ISSUE AT CONFERENCE, HOWEVER, OR THAT LANGUAGE IN THIS AREA WOULD "HARDEN".
REED

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: POLICIES, MEMBERSHIP, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, MEETING REPORTS, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, NONALIGNED NATIONS MEETINGS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 18 AUG 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: izenbei0
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976COLOMB03066
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760316-0868
From: COLOMBO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760844/aaaablni.tel
Line Count: 111
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 COLOMBO 2961, 76 ISLAMABAD 8570
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: izenbei0
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 05 MAY 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <05 MAY 2004 by woolflhd>; APPROVED <31 AUG 2004 by izenbei0>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: PAKISTANI VIEWS ON MEMBERSHIP QUESTION AND OTHER NAC ISSUES
TAGS: PFOR, PORO, PK, IN, RO, YO, (AHMED KHAN, AFTAB)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006